

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

KEVIN YELVERTON,

*Petitioner,*

v.

PATRICIA THOMPSON, et al.,

*Respondents.*

CIVIL ACTION

NO. 19-4796

**ORDER**

**AND NOW**, this 19th day of February 2025, upon careful and independent consideration of the pleadings (ECF Nos. 2, 33, 52 and 63) and state-court records, and after review of the Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge Lynne A. Sitarski (ECF No. 69) and Petitioner's objections thereto (ECF No. 73), it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

1. The objections are **OVERRULED**;
2. The Report and Recommendation is **APPROVED** and **ADOPTED**;
3. The Petition for a Writ of Habeas Corpus is **DENIED** and **DISMISSED**;
4. A certificate of appealability **SHALL NOT** issue, in that the Petitioner has not made a substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right nor demonstrated that reasonable jurists would debate the correctness of the procedural aspects of this decision. *See* 28 U.S.C. 2253(c)(2); *Slack v. McDaniel*, 529 U.S. 473, 484 (2000); and
5. The Clerk of Court shall mark this case **CLOSED** for statistical purposes.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Gerald J. Pappert  
Gerald J. Pappert, J.